

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Makoto SUZUKI et al.

Application No.: Rule 53(b) Continuing Application of  
U.S. Application No. 09/905,939 Filed  
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Docket No.: 110099.01

For: INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE AND CONTROL METHOD OF THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**